

## National Wetlands Inventories Training Webinar

### Description:

The Secretariat of the Convention on Wetlands invites you to join a training webinar on “How to carry out national wetlands inventories and their relevance for decision making”.

This webinar aims to enhance capacities for carrying out a National Wetland Inventory (“NWI”) by presenting the new step-by-step toolkit for completing a wetlands inventory and the use of a wetland inventory in decision making processes.

### Participants will learn:

- Why undertaking a National Wetland Inventory is important and what are the objectives
- How to prepare and implement the NWI process
- Use of GIS and Earth observation for wetland inventory
- How to use outputs of the NWI for reporting on wetland extent in National Reports and Sustainable Development Goals.

### Resources for the webinar include:

- Wetlands Handbook 13 *Inventory, assessment and monitoring*, <https://www.ramsar.org/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/lib/hbk4-13.pdf>
- Handbook 15 *Wetland Inventory* <https://www.ramsar.org/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/lib/hbk4-15.pdf>
- The new toolkit for *National Wetlands Inventory*: <https://www.ramsar.org/document/a-new-toolkit-for-national-wetlands-inventories-ms-word>.

### Presenters



Professor Max Finlayson is an internationally renowned wetland ecologist with extensive experience in Australia and internationally in water pollution, mining and agricultural impacts, invasive species, climate change, and human wellbeing and wetlands. He has participated in global assessments such as those conducted by the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change, the Millennium Ecosystem Assessment, the Global Environment Outlook and the Global Wetland Outlook.

Since the early 1990<sup>s</sup> he has been a technical advisor to the Convention on Wetlands and has extensive experience writing on wetland ecology and management, wetland inventory, assessment and monitoring, assessment of coastal wetlands to climate change, including establishing a wetland vulnerability assessment protocol for the Convention. He was chair of the Scientific and Technical Review Panel of the Convention from 2003-2005.

The European Space Agency and the Secretariat will also make relevant presentations.

Schedule for the webinars (120 minutes)

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>Starting Time</b>
<b>Monday, 19 October</b>	English (French Interpretation)	1:00 pm CET
<b>Tuesday, 20 October</b>	English	8:00 am CET
<b>Wednesday, 21 October</b>	English (Spanish interpretation)	3:00 pm CET
<b>Thursday 22 October</b>	English	11:00 am CET

*\*Note: a recording of the webinar in each official language will be available to download on the Convention web site*

Registration:

We invite you to register at the [webinar registration page](#) for the webinar of your choice. The **link to the registration page is personal** and connected to your e-mail address, so please do not share it. If you want to forward this message for someone else to register please send this link: <https://contacts.ramsar.org/preregistration/ml/webinars>. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar and a detailed agenda.